

REMARKS

The Application has been reviewed in light of the Final Office Action mailed August 19, 2004 and the Advisory Action mailed November 3, 2004. At the time of the Final Office Action and Advisory Action, Claims 5-17, 35-40, 42, 47, and 55-72 were pending in this Application. Applicant previously canceled Claims 1-4, 18-34, 41, 43-46, and 48-54 without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 5-17, 35-40, 42, and 70-72 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Applicant presently cancels Claims 5-17, 35-40, 42, and 70-72 without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 47 and 55-69 are allowed. No new matter is presented by these amendments. Applicant respectfully requests allowance of this application.

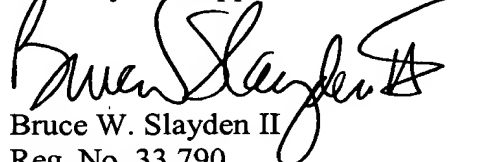
CONCLUSION

In light of the above amendments and remarks Applicant respectfully submits that the Application is now in condition for allowance and early notice of the same is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions, comments or suggestions in furtherance of the prosecution of this Application, the Examiner is invited to contact the attorney of record by telephone or facsimile.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0383 of Baker Botts L.L.P. in order to effectuate this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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